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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTRON OF SPECIES**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the January 2, 2003 requirement for election of species in the above-identified patent application, the applicants hereby provisionally elect, with traverse, the Claims 1-15, allegedly drawn to a species of the invention as representatively illustrated in FIG. 2, for continued prosecution in the application, and acknowledge the temporary withdrawal from consideration of the Claims 38-54 and 68-83, allegedly drawn to other species.

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